

## ROAD THROUGH MANENGGON

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We don't need  
another road  
to divide  
sever  
and disconnect  
our people from each other.

We don't need  
another road  
that separates

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from our culture,  
from our ancestors  
who sweat and bled  
while marching through the hills.

These hills  
have natural connections.  
When hiking to Segua,<sup>1</sup>  
I am part of the rich red dirt.  
I am part of the rope  
that connects tâno' yan tâsi.<sup>2</sup>

When jumping off Segua,  
I hear the voices of those  
who have jumped before me.

We don't need another road.

I want to hike Segua.  
I need to jump off Segua.

My blood,  
  
rich and red,  
  
is yearning for Segua.

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*Manenggon is an area in the village of Yo'ña in Guåhån (Guam)*

1. Segua Falls is in Manenggon.
2. In the Chamoru language, tåno' means land and tåsi means ocean